Docket No.: 56117US002

Customer Number

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

n re Application of:

ALBERT I. EVERAERTS, AUDREY A. SHERMAN, JINGJING

Ma and Lang N. Nguyen

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1733

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AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER

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Attached is an amendment in the above-identified application. The fee for this amendment is computed as follows:

		-	Claims	As Amended			
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4) Highest No. Previously Paid For		(5)	(6)	(7)
	Claims Remaining After Amendment				Present Extra	Rate	Additional Fee
Total Claims	26	Minus	**	18	8	x \$18.00	\$144.00
Independent Claims	4	Minus	***	2	2	x \$86.00	\$172.00
Additional fee for filing one or more multiple dependent claims, if no such fee has been previously paid \$290.00							
Total Additional Fee For This Amendment →							\$316.00

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Please charge to Deposit Account 13-3723 any fees under 37 CFR §§ 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required during the entire pendency of this application. This authorization includes the fee for any extension of time under 37 CFR § 1.136(a) that may be necessary. To the extent any such extension should become necessary, it is hereby requested. One copy of this sheet marked duplicate is also enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

February 13, 2004

Date

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RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR 1.116 EXPEDITED PROCEDURE EXAMINING GROUP 1733

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RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT

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Dear Sir:

The following is provided in response to the Office Action mailed October 7, 2003, in the above-identified application.

A separate Petition for Extension of Time Under 37 CFR 1.136(a) and authorization to charge the extension of time fee to Assignee's deposit account is included with this Amendment.